

AACRAC March 9, 2005 Meeting Minutes

Present: Timothy Anderson, Steve Hanlin, Kent Heikens, Loren Jones, Doug Sumerford, Louisa Tabatabai, Mark Tomer, Amanda Toot, Eva Wojcik, Emilie Zehr

Absent with notification: Jeff Hoelsing

1. Meeting called to order 1:15 PM.
2. Approval of February 9, 2004 Meeting Minutes.
3. Welcoming of new member and representative of CICGRU – Doug Sumerford
4. Review of Past Observances
 - African American History Month (S. Hanlin)
 - The video, The Murder of Emmett Till was shown
 - The featured video is about a fourteen-year-old black boy who whistled at a white woman, in August 1955. Three days later, Emmett Till was brutally beaten and then shot by two white men.
 - Attendance was good and attendees had good remarks about the video.
4. Discussion and planning of upcoming observances.
 - Women's History Month (A. Toot)
 - The Women in Science posters were distributed.
 - No video will be shown this month. Various detailed posters describing women in science and their profound contributions are displayed at the ARS locations.
 - Amanda is sending out an e-mail to encourage those to read through the posters about the various women in science and their contributions.
 - Asian Pacific Month (May- L. Jones)
 - A video is being screened. The video would be 5 hours long and need to be split up
 - A motion was approved for purchase of posters (up to and including \$100.00) to be made on the event, was passed.
 - Possibility of summer series or speakers. (M.Tomer)
 - Ideas may include those scheduled to visit ISU campus for a presentation.
5. Minority Student Intern Program
 - M. Tomer sent an e-mail to Dr. Horst requesting permission for Nina Grant to visit ARS to inform ARS about the Minority Student Intern Program.
6. Website Update (Steve Hanlin)
 - A response from Beltsville in regards to a short subsite area has been received. Steve has been working on a response to the Beltsville Letter.
 - Meeting Minutes will be archived on the website.

- The Committee Secretary has given a CD containing past Meeting Minutes and will be sending Approved Meeting Minutes for archiving each month.
7. Notices:
 - Cultural diversity events on campus.
 - Events calendar <http://event.iastate.edu/cgi-bin/searchit>
 - Upcoming event – Bring your sons and daughters to work day (April 28,2005).
 - General diversity posters will be distributed at April's meeting.
 8. Request of travel authorization for committee member(s) to attend civil rights training.
 - T. Anderson is working on a detailed material to be distributed to committee members. The material will cover civil rights training opportunities information.
 - T. Anderson estimated that to attend the FDR program would be ~\$900 + per diem/individual.
 9. New business
 10. The AACRAC meeting for April 13, 2005 will be scheduled for 1:10 PM **rm 122 at NADC.**
 11. Meeting adjourned at ~2:00 PM.

Minutes written by Eva Wojcik

Items Amended to Meeting Minutes:

Response from Beltsville concerning website

M. Tomer's e-mail to Dr. Horst